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Honorable Anne K. Quinlan,  
Acting Secretary  
Surface Transportation Board  
395 E Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20423

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Re. Docket No. AB-347 (Sub-No. 3X). *Florida West Coast Railroad Company, Inc - Abandonment Exemption in Alachua and Gilchrist Counties, FL.*

Dear Acting Secretary Quinlan:

Enclosed are the original and 10 copies of a Statement of Willingness to Assume Financial Responsibility filed by the Georgetown and High Line Railway Company, LLC. Also enclosed is a check for the filing fee of \$200.00.

Please time and date stamp the additional copy of this letter and the Statement and return them in the enclosed self-addressed, stamped envelope. Thank you for your assistance.

If you have any questions, please call or e-mail me

Sincerely yours,

Richard Bloch

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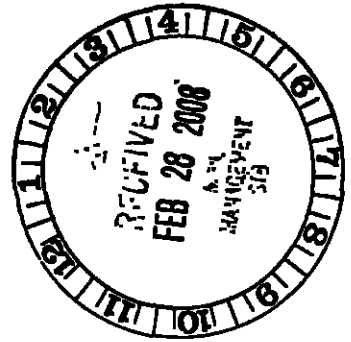
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Enclosures

Cc: Mr. Leonard M. Singer

BEFORE THE  
SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD



Docket No. AB-347 (Sub-No. 3X)

FLORIDA WEST COAST RAILROAD COMPANY  
—ABANDONMENT EXEMPTION—  
IN ALACHUA AND GILCHRIST COUNTIES, FL.

STATEMENT OF WILLINGNESS TO ASSUME FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

In order to establish interim trail use and rail banking under 16 U.S.C. §1247(d) and 49 CFR §1152.29, Georgetown and High Line Railway Company, LLC ("G&H") is willing to assume full responsibility for management of, for any legal liability arising out of the transfer or use of, and for the payment of any and all taxes that may be levied or assessed against the right-of-way owned by CSX Transportation, Inc., and operated by Florida West Coast Railroad Company ("FLWR") The property, known as the Trenton to Newberry Line, extends from railroad milepost 734.0 near Trenton, FL, to railroad milepost 721.0, near Newberry, FL, a distance of 13.0 miles in Alachua and Gilchrist Counties, FL The right-of-way is part of a line of railroad proposed for abandonment in STB Docket No. AB-347 (Sub-No. 3X).

A map of the property depicting the right-of-way is attached.

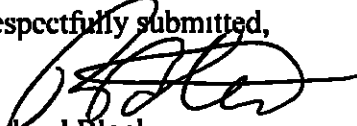
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G&H acknowledges that use of the right-of-way is subject to the user's continuing to meet its responsibilities described above and subject to possible future reconstruction and reactivation of the right-of-way for rail service. A copy of this statement is being served on the FLWR on the same date it is being served on the Board.

Respectfully submitted,



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Dated: February 27, 2008

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FLORIDA WEST COAST RAILROAD

